

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA BUTTE DIVISION

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Clerk, U.S. District Court District Of Montana Missoula

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

CR 18–15–BU–DLC

Plaintiff,

ORDER

VS.

CHRISTOPHER MICHAEL DENNY,

Defendant.

United States Magistrate Judge Jeremiah C. Lynch entered Findings and Recommendation in this matter on October 25, 2018. Neither party objected and therefore they are not entitled to *de novo* review of the record. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); *United States v. Reyna-Tapia*, 328 F.3d 1114, 1121 (9th Cir. 2003). This Court will review the Findings and Recommendation for clear error.

*McDonnell Douglas Corp. v. Commodore Bus. Mach., Inc., 656 F.2d 1309, 1313 (9th Cir. 1981). Clear error exists if the Court is left with a "definite and firm conviction that a mistake has been committed." *United States v. Syrax*, 235 F.3d 422, 427 (9th Cir. 2000).

Judge Lynch recommended this Court accept Christopher Michael Denny's guilty plea after Denny appeared before him pursuant to Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 11, and entered a plea of guilty to being a felon in possession of

firearms in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(1) as set forth in the Indictment. Defendant also admits to the forfeiture allegation in the Indictment.

I find no clear error in Judge Lynch's Findings and Recommendation (Doc. 39), and I adopt them in full, including the recommendation to defer acceptance of the Plea Agreement until sentencing when the Court will have reviewed the Plea Agreement and Presentence Investigation Report.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that Christopher Michael Denny's motion to change plea (Doc. 22) is GRANTED and Christopher Michael Denny is adjudged guilty as charged in the Indictment.

DATED this 13 day of November, 2018.

Dana L. Christensen, Chief

United States District Court